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TO ALL GAMEMASTERS:

AN APPEAL!

We are faced with a crisis in our hobby and we must address it, as a group, in a firm union. The bond that holds the HOBBY together, instead of it breaking into unknown splinter factions, is the centralization of the hobby's statistics; i.e. Boardman number assignments, supply center charts of finished games, and rating systems of player/country performance. Rod Walker was doing all of these! I could belabor, in lengthy tribute, Rod's effort, but even 20 pages could not cover a major fraction of his contribution. He is gone and the hobby must go on. To date only Walt Buchanan gets (or attempts to get) all Diplomacy publications. Yet Walt is already overloaded. Therefore, PLEASE cooperate so that we can get our house back in order. Here is what is needed:

1. When you start a game notify Conrad VonMetzke, PO BOX 8342, San Diego, Cal. 92102 for a Boardman number. PLEASE mark the envelope CLEARLY so that Conrad knows you wish a game number assignment.

2. EACH Winter keep a running total of supply centers owned by each great power. Note if a country has fewer units than he has supply for, if this occurs. Record the player history--that is; who played what country, if a player is dropped or resigned (it is VERY important to note the difference). When the game is done send this supply center chart to me or include it in your publication. I will reproduce it in Rogues' Gallery and mail it to all concerned. Without this effort on your part it would be necessary to reconstruct the game from the back copies of your zine! A sample supply center chart follows on the next page so that you can see how to set one up in a manner that is easily readable and usable.

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Sample supply center chart, from NUmenor11 page 5

1968BS COSTAGUANA (VonMetzke)(#6)(to S03);ADAG/COSTA-2(Naus).
 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 AUS: Jeff Key; ENG: Mike Childers(res F05)
 AUS 4 5 5 6 6 6 8 Lee Childs(out W07); FRA: Ed1 Birsan (won
 ENG 4 4 5 4 2 1 - W07); GER: Stephen Beecher (dro W03), civ.
 FRA 5 6 9 10 12 15 19* dis. (out F04); ITA: Larry St. Cyr (out
 GER 4 5 1 - W07); RUS: Russ Boggs (dro %05), Conrad
 ITA 4 5 4 3 3 2 - vonMetzke; TUR: Bob Perkins (dro S04),
 RUS 5 6 7* 8 8 8 6 Peter Ansoff,
 TUR 4 3 3 3 3 2 1

3. If you have completed a game(s), between May 1 1972 and today, it likely has not been redorded. (except in the Calhamer Point Count listing in HOOSIER ARCHIVES.) Yet the data is HA is insufficient for ANTARIES, BROB. AND ROGUES'. Would you be so good as to produce a Supply Center Chart for each such game and mail it to me? Your cooperation is desperately needed. About 300 games have finished so far, yet over 400 Boardman numbers are still outstanding! When that mass of games begins to be completed no one person could keep up with it, and our hobby will begin to fall apart. If we can't catch up now our fate will be inevitable! ALL GAMEMASTERS WHO WILL CO-OPERATE please let me know. We must know who is keeping his own supply center charts and who is not!

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 ROGUES' GALLERY

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I am sad to report that I have not completed all of the ratings of all of the players as yet--there are over 600 individuals who have played at one tiem, and I must sift out ontly the CURRENT players--but I shall have it by next issue. I do, however, have a report on the countries in 210 games which I have elected to rate. I have not rated 5man games, gmes using the spring raid more than once, games in which the changing of the guard effected the outcome, games in which moves were telephoned in with 1 week or shorter deadlines, and a few games for assorted irregularities. These games are: 63A+C,65j,n,o,v, 66e-g,k,p,q,s,w,x,zd,af,aj,an,ap,ar,aw-ay,ba,be,bf,bh,fp,67c,d,f,g,k-m, q-s,x,zd,ai,an,ar,as,bp,68q,bd,bv-bx,cr-cv,69i,n,q,r,w,70h,ag,bo,bt. If you were in one of those games and wish to plead your case, by all means. Note that all other games completed before May 1 1972 are included in the country list, all of its players may not be rated in the player lists however. Two irregularites that will cause a player to not be rated in a rated game are; appearance in the game two or more times, and appearance of an experienced player in an otherwise novice game. Below is the ranks of the 7 great powers based on different criteria

BASED ON:

RANKS	WINS ONLY	WINS & DRAWS ONLY	ALL POS- ITIVE PTS	ALL PTS - elims	Elims only	AVG of wins & draws
1	russia 9470	russia 10667	turkey 13311	turkey 11229	france -2041	russia 203.8
2	turkey 7725	turkey 10051	russia 12944	england 9958	turkey -2084	austria 197.3
3.	england 7390	england 9039	england 12052	russia 9648	england -2094	turkey 185.4
4.	austria 5335	france 7435	france 10519	france 9958	italy -2637	france 181.1
5.	France 5310	austria 5912	germany 7791	germany 4841	germany -2950	england 76.3
6.	G4155	G 5488	A 7552	I 4749	R -3296	G 171.0
7.	I 3850	I 4785	I 7386	A 3687	A -3865	I 170.8

 Interpretation of these results is made more meaningful by knowing the basis of the Rogues' Gallery system. In that system 240 points, plus or minus 15 pts. is awarded the winner (the variation being dependant upon the number of centers held at the end of the game). All survivors get 340 points, minus the winner's points, to divide up among them depending on how many centers they hold. Players in a draw receive a percentage dependant on the number of players in the draw and an award depending on how many centers they hold, this ranges between 35 and 170 points for 1 center in a six way draw and 17 centers in a 2 way draw.

With this in mind I have calculated the points gained because of wins only, because of wins plus draws, because of wins, draws & survivals, because of wins, draws and survivals minus eliminations, because of eliminations only, and an average based on pts from all wins and draws divided by the total number of wins and draws.

Based on wins alone we find Russia clearly ahead with 39 wins for 9470 points and Italy dead last with 16 wins for 3850 points. When draws are included France and Austria change 3 and 4 th places as France has entered in a larger number of draws than Austria. When all positive pts are calculated we find Turkey taking over #1 spot from Russia, as Turkey has survived strongly in many more games than Russia. Austria, which has a poor survival record, slips lower in the ratings to 6th. Now we subtract eliminations from all positive gains and find England also passing Russia and Austria going to the bottom. The elimination column points out this huge lose to Austria and small number of eliminations of France, Turkey and England! Finally an average gain, if you have won or have been in a draw is given. Note Austria moving way up in that list. Thus Austria survives poorly, but when it does survive it does well. Italy and Germany just do not have a great deal going for them. Even when they survive it is at a few centers instead of making a strong finish. Notice that Austria and Russia are in the same do or die situation, either they do well or get eliminated.

Next issue will carry the player results of the ROGUES' GALLERY system.

24 HOURS IN LEBANON,....

and I didn't see a single Arab.

At 4:02PM CDT I boarded a Greyhound to Lebanon to raid the fabled Hoosier Archives. Five hours, and twenty stops, later I completed my 160 mile trip. There to greet me were the Buchanans of Lebanon. I mounted the waiting camel and caravaned out along rural route 3. Walt and I were in animated conversation about this stab and tha, about the future of the IDA, TDA, and NBC, about ratings, and publications etc. while Carol busied herself about all but Diplomacy. My first evening was spent typing up the game roster for a Diplomacy tournament while Walt ran off some record sheets for transcription of game data. Then we went into the ARCHIVES!

The ARCHIVES were located down a flight of poorly lit stairs. Walt turned off the electric fence and burglar alarms before we entered the 3rd subterranean level. Suddenly I grew rigid as before me, guarding the elevator to the Archives lower depths, were four 6-foot man-eating Chickens! They were trained to attack unwanted guests, especially some from New York. I passed by the clucking sentries and entered the pneumatic elevator.

First level--1984. Second level 1983, Third level 1982, 1981, 1980, 1979..... "Think the hobby will end in 1984?" I quipped to Walt.

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MUSINGS

by

Larry Blandin

Comprising a seemingly endless --but on going -- assortment of ravings.

There is a regularly published feature in the Chicago Tribune, self touted, as you may know, as The World's Greatest Newspaper. Nonetheless, this regular feature may be of interest to you. It is called the Game Room. It regularly reviews new games and old, comments on their playability and interest value. Further, it ventures an opinion as to the merit of them, somewhat as a film or book reviewer might. It is written by Roger Verhulst, a truly witty and intelligent fellow.

Game Room takes on all kinds of games, from the Avalon Hill series and Diplomacy, to the 3M set, X-Rated games ("But dear, why were you cleaning behind the furnace?") to card games and even ideas of the occult, put out by outfits like Hoi Polloi. Worthwhile and versatile, and always entertaining it says here. But you don't live in Chicago? But you are interested in hearing more about it? Write the editor and publisher in your area (that's of the daily newspaper - not the nearest Diplomacy 'zine scribe) and ask that that paper also syndicate the Game Room.

I submit that IDA's five regional secretaries, and two at large secretaries, should be charged with summarizing the finish and history of games. As of the moment, the Canada and European (or perhaps it would be better to say non-U.S. since there's lots in Australia, South Africa, etc.) secretary(s) have not been elected, but will be in office after next year's election.

Steve Nozik as eastern Sec'y, Len Lakofka in the Midwest and John Biehl, in the west along with Major Elliot Lipson, one of the two at large Secretaries (along with R. Walker, who's hiatus apparently is permanent) can take over a region and split up that way, the responsibility would be light. In addition, when a game was finished, the victor would have someone close at hand to contact, if for some reason the game was not showing up on the proper rating lists because of some oversight. It would be the duty of the GMs to contact the IDA regional secretary and provide the necessary information. The Secretaries would then coordinate this information and make it available to those who maintain listings. Only about seven or eight games finish a month at this stage (although that number will increase--there are over 400 games going at the moment and they will start to come in at a more rapid rate a little later). It would seem that this group would be ideally suited to handle the task. Responses will be printed in subsequent columns. Whaddya say?

This reporter has been most impressed with the unusual vigor of the hobby in certain enclaves (pervy pockets) around the country. The Michigan collection of Dutch Wargamers, Calvinist infighters and the like, the Ohio Polish ghetto and of course local enthusiasts. But most vigorous of all, it would seem is California. The great contribution that the likes of Rod Walker, Conrad von Metzke, Brent Ver Pleough, Andy Phillips, Lee Childs, Larry Peery, Hal Naus, etc, have made to making the West Coast School of Diplomacy what it is today, should be noted by all. Not only the contribution to Diplomacy literature, but also to increase in the skill and tactics of the game. Perhaps the most outstanding representative of the California School of play is Hal Norman. Norman, it could be said outranks even Arnold Vagts in insight, tactical coups and endless surprises. Keep an eye on him. Clearly an outstanding comer. Is Lenard Lakofka a Polish Joke?

"Never say such a thing Lenard?! I must have these zines you see. The hobby will go on and on. We'll be in the new 60 story Archives vault in the heart of Indianapolis by then. People will come from all over the world to see MY archives, mine, yes, mine...hee, hee!"

"Oh." I said. 1973, 1972. We stopped. There, in electrified glass cases, were recent publications. "Oh, there is my last issue of LD", as I moved to pick it up. "What do mean YOURS!?" From out of nowhere two armed guards appeared. "Just a phrase Walt. They are yours. I didn't mean anything. Have a heart....and tell this clown to get his gun out of my ear. Okay?"

"Well alright. But if you say such a thing past the 1970 section I won't bear the consequences."

1971, 1970, 1969, 1968 each was under better security. 1967.

"You have to have a top security clearance here Len. Have you published for over 3 years? Ever more than 2 weeks late? Ever think of stealing a Diplomacy zine?" "Yes, no, no" I said.

"The built in lie detector says you are telling the truth. Let's go!"

There were trophy cases with old duplicating machines, bronzed staple removers, a 1959 set of Diplomacy encased in SOLID plastic, and the body of Rod Walker!! "But Walt, I thought Rod quit because of personal problems!"

"He did, Len, I wouldn't let him out of the Archives!"

Horror ceased me! I broke for the elevator door after grabbing Walt's BOOK OF GOLDEN RECORDS. "STOP THIEF!" I heard as I neared 1984 again. I ran to the bus station and sped away.

Even now I live in fear that Walt may get me. Wait! I hear a noise in the other room, I'll be right.....

the ROGUES' GALLERY

POLL # 1

In addition to seeing how players have done in years past, and what what people rate them as today, RG wishes to delve into the reader's opinion on magazines. Enclosed is a ballot I'd like you to complete and mail back with your moves. Note that space is available for you to update your sealed orders or to file some, if none are now on record. I've asked Walt Buchanan to reproduce this questionnaire in the same way other publishers reproduced the BPP and the Birsan poll. I hope a few other publishers will find the room to include this ballot too!

INFLATION STRIKES

Alas increased prices are on us all! Due to the larger size of LD, at least every third issue will now be 20 pages, I am forced to increase my rates for new games.

Effective immediately;

NOVICE GAMES \$ 4.50

EXPERIENCED PLAYER GAMES \$ 5.50

Subscriptions 10 for \$2

Also all trades will now have to be renegotiated. It is important to me, that I'm running a rating system, to trade for all publications. This issue will be sent to all publishers that I know about. If a zine is not received in trade in 6 weeks I will suspend further trade relations. Oh by the way, Subtract \$1.00 from game fees if you are a member of the IDA!

THE LAST CHANCE TO
NOT HAVE NIXON TO KICK AROUND
FOR FOUR MORE YEARS!

The time is an hand. Your vote is ready to be cast. For whom will you cast it; Richard Nixon, conservative Republican, servant of the vested interest, or George McGovern, liberal Democrat, servant of the people? I want to look at the issues, the men, and the charges arising in this campaign.

The issues are; the Indo-China war, tax reform, welfare, jobs, defense, wage & price controls, secrecy in government, and responsibility in government. The men are charged with being wishy-washy, unresponsive, deceitful and political(?).

The Viet Nam war has expended billions in tax payer dollars and lost, for many persons, their lives and homes. We are told that president ~~Kissinger~~ Nixon has finally brought peace. Where has he been for four years? George McGovern pledged to accomplish an end to the war in 90 days, with all prisoners home inside of that period. Nixon now, we pray to Almighty God, has done the same thing. Ergo, he could have done the same thing in 1969, 1970 or 1971!

Taxes in this country fall hardest upon those least able to pay. Wouldn't you like to be able to give 10% of your earnings to charity and thus avoid 30% more in taxes? Wouldn't you like to be in a special category exempt from many types of taxes altogether? Under Dick Nixon exemption will go to those who already have hundreds of thousands of dollars. You will have to either increase your family or have a financial disaster occur to save some money on your income tax.

Welfare, says a commercail now being aired, will be available to 47% of the U.S. population under George McGovern. This exposé is shown on television by opening with a behelmed worker eating his hard-earned lunch on a building rafter. The Republicans assume this 'Hard-Hat' is a half-wit unable to realize that 'eligible for welfare' does not equal "on welfare". The Nixon administration fails to explain that thousands of people are starving to death in America, unable, not unwilling, UNABLE to find a job! George McGovern favors assistance to those in jobless communities, in disaster and poverty areas--not to those unwilling to work, as the Republican commercial tries to imply.

Many rural and industry towns(coal or iron towns, e.g.)have no jobs available. People are crying for work and there is none. Unemployment is still at record highs. Richard Nixon shows no light at the end of the tunnel, only more of the same; keeping industry profits up and the masses' wages low. George McGovern wants to create jobs at home to clean up our environment, to put our nation's people back to work so that welfare can be drastically REDUCED.

This nation now has the power to destroy the world many times over. Do we need another group of super carriers, F-111s or SSTs? Do we need to uphold Lockheed so that we can WASTE billions on Unrecycleable weapons of war which are unneeded? Shall the military make us muscle bound at war and uncoordinated and broken at home?! George says no! We do not need this massive INFLATIONARY budget for military wasting?

Prices are continuing to rise. Wages are being held down. Shall we have Richard Nixon allow bread to go to 65¢ a loaf and our wages to go up 4-8% over the next four years?!

The Watergate fiasco has shown Richard Nixon's contempt for the American system of elections as much as his flagrant foisting of Spiro Agnew upon us for another term! Richard Nixon has sat through this election unable and unwilling to answer just questions on his campaign and the issues at stake. Do you trust such a coward?

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George McGovern vs Richard Nixon, from page 6

George McGovern has received the most flak over the Eagleton affair and subsequent charges of indecisiveness. The selection of a running mate has always been a tramitic and fevered affair. When Tom Eagleton was selected Tom did not think his past medical history was important. George McGovern, upon learning of it (his aids can't be expected to fine-ttth-comb 10-50 people in 24-48hrs) that the American people were sophisticated enough to equate Eagleton's former treatment, with a person cured of polio--as they had for FDR. YET MANY PEOPLE DID NOT! This bigotry is summed up in the statement made by another Diplomacy publisher; "In your heart you know he's nuts". It was apparant that America would make Eagleton's SANITY, of all things, an ISSUE! Jesus people, what kind of human beings are these? George has no choice but to back down in his trust for his fellow Americans and ask Tom Eagleton to step down. A sad day for George McGovern, and a black eye for America.

One other publisher says George McGovern is a 'politician', that his party did not even want him for its candidate. Party unity and good spirts are shown in this publisher's home state by Ed Muskie who has given, as best, half-hearted support, for the choice of the party's convention. When Ed didn't get the nomination himself he chose to prefer licking his wounds for four years instead of stopping Richard Nixon from another four year reign.

We might note, as an aside, that Richard Nixon has done a political thing or two of late. Like plastering Kissinger's puss all over the headlines with cries of peace so that Watergate, unemployment, taxes, etc. don't make it to those headlines two weeks prior to election day; or asking congress for a bill to have home games of professional sports teams shown on television!

People, do you want to SUSPECT flaws in George McGovern's plans or do you want to recognize the Iron-Hand disregard for you already SHOWN by Richard M Nixon?

VOTE ON NOVEMBER 7

Do not stay at home because your candidate is more likely to win or to lose. Such pre-election jitters WILL produce the result you DO NOT want! Elections have been lost by people sure of their candidate winning or losing and thus they did not go to the polls!

VOTE ON NOVEMBER 7

George Mc Govern for President of the U.S.
Charles Percy for Senator from Illinois
Dan Walker for Governor of Illinois
Bernard Carey for States Attorney

Deadline Information

For all games, unless specifically noted otherwise;

the Game Master Error notification deadline is NOVEMBER 15, 1972

the deadline for all moves, builds, removals etc. is NOVEMBER 22.

In any season in which retreats are called for all players may make their next move, or their winter adjustments dependant upon the various retreat possibilities.

ALL moves are due by 4PM on the deadline day. NO moves will be accepted thereafter, for any reason. Also, I will accept no phoned in moves between the hours of 12midnight and 7:30AM Chicago time.

When you send in your moves be sure to:

1. Mail three full days before the deadline
2. DATE your orders!
3. Write clearly and PROOFREAD
4. BE SURE TO SIGN YOUR ORDERS!!

1971 AT

LEPANTO, the spring of 1906

Austria, Bell (8) A TRI H, A VIE H, A UKR H, A SER (S) a rum-BUL,
F AEG(S) a con-SMY, a sev-ARM

England, Pandin (1) A LVP H

France, Horton (6) F TYR (S) f naf-TUN, f mao-WES, A PAR-pied, f lon-
WAL supported by F IRI

Germany, Carpenter (12) NMR, NSO A MUN, A KIEL, A BER, A HOL, F NWY,
A STP, F NTH, A EDIN, A SIL, A WAR, A MOS, A RUHR

Italy, Early (4) A ROM (S) f ion-NAP, f tun-ION, A PIED-mar

Turkey, Wrobel (3) F ANK & A ~~SMY~~ (S) f bule-CON *a smy 0...*

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POLES RECAPTURE TURKEY!??? It Figures that they don't even know
where in the hell Pland is at! Germany quiet--are the indians
in Red Hook on the warpath?

1971BX

double X, the Winter of 1905

Sultan's forces prepare for march. Can nothing stop this horde?

French premier visits China, names new heir.

England, Davies

even/5/F LON, F NTH, F SWE, F DEN, F WES

France, Stroz 2nd miss, removed--New player Bruce Chin, 628 Melrose

Dr. Salinas Calif. 93901

1 short/5/A MAR, A SPA, F BRE, F MAO, A RUHR

Germany, Leeder f den disbanded in lieu of retreat

even/2/A KIEL, F HOL

Italy, Scroggie 1 short/2/A VEN, F ROM (no place to build)

Russia, Swies

/5/A SIL, A MUN A UKR, A STP, A PRU, ~~f NWY~~

Turkey, Norman

~~X/234~~, A SMY, A ANK/13/F BLA, A CON already in existance, F GRE,

F EMD, A BUD, A SEV, A WAR, A VIE, F TUS, F ION 1 short

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HAMBURG: Anybody out there hasn't stabbed Germany yet? Hurry up,
there's not much time left!

CUPCAKEVILLE: I'm coming.....

1971 CE

replay Spring 1905

Mr. Drew McGee's moves arrived a few days after the deadline, but were
posted three days before it. As I stated in IMPASSABLE, in GUIDE TO
THE GAMEMASTER, such a situation for moves posted three or more days
before the deadline will allow the moves to be accepted if they do
arrive ten days before the next deadline. I have added Drew's moves.
These went out by carbon copy and apparently they too were delayed!
The dead for the fall of 1905 will therefore be, for this game only,
November 1, 1972 before 4PM. SEND MOVES TO MARINE DRIVE NOT RICHMOND!
The correct positions are;

Austria, Cox/7/A TYR, A PIED, A VIE, A BOH, A SIL, F ADR, A PRU

England, McGee/8/A HOL, F KIEL, F NWY, F NAF, F ECH, F NTH, A DEN, ASWE

France, Blendin/5/A BURG, F TUS, A MAR, F BEL f wes/r/SPASC

Germany, Hagelshaw/3/A MUN, A BER, a bel/r/?

Russia, Hail/1/A FIN

Turkey, Rice (211 Andrews Ave., Greenwood S.c. 29646)

F TYR, F WES, F BLA, A SEV, A LIO, A MOS, F TUN, F ION, AGRE,

A UKE

note: I have revised moves for everyone.

note that W06 &/or So7 may be longer because Richard Rice is
going on vacation to Europe. Sorry for all these delays.

1971 DO

Empires to Dust, the winter of 1904

TURKEY & ENGLAND MAY SOON MEET IN BATTLE IF THEIR GROWTH RATE CONTINUES. FRANCE STILL A CONTENDER, OTHER POWERS IN SAD SHAPE.

Austria, CD. TRI, A VIE

England, Keller

A EDIN/8/F LON, F NAO, F NTH, F STPN, A BEL, F DEN, A FIN
France, Horton

even/6/F MAO, F WES, F TYR, F ION, A BOH, A BURG
Germany, Early sp rovd

even/3/A RUHR, A MUN, F HELGO

Italy, Hail f ion/r/ ADR

/3/ A TYO, A VEN, F ROM, f ~~adr~~
Russia, Brooks NRR

/3/A BUD, A WAR, A BER, f ~~bal~~
Turkey, Leeder

A CON, A ANK/9/F AEG, A SER, F BLA, A RUM, A SEV, A MOS
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Disaster & Violence, spring 1904

WESTERN POWERS POORLY COORDINATE GERMAN DEMISE. TURKEY TAKES FIRST SET BACK AS ITALY & RUSSIA SET OUT ON THE WARPATH.

England, Drake /6/

F LON + F NWY (S) f edin-NTH, F SKAG(S) A DEN, f bal-BER
France, Nozik /7/

f mar-LYON, A BEL H, a burg-MAR, A MUN (S) ENG A DEN-keil, (nso),
f lyon-TUS, a par-PIC, f spasc-WES

Germany, D. Johnson /3/

F HELGO-nth, f nth-lon/D.../, a kiel-HOL
Italy, Hagelshaw /5-1 short/

f rom-TYR, a tri-SER, F NAP-ion, A VIE H, a ven-TRI

Russia, Early /6/

a ukr-SEV, A GAL-rum, A BUD(S) ITA a tri-SER, F BLA(S) A RUM-bul,
F STPNC H

Tureky, Ostapkovich /6/

F GRES A CON-bul, a ser (s) A CON-bul/D..../, F AEG-ion, f ion-TUN,
A ANK H

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1972N

NECROMANCER, the fall of 1903

RUSSIA & TURKEY RAPED: SULTAN RUNS OFF TO IRAN. WESTERN POWERS CAN'T SEEM TO GET THEIR ACT TOGETHER. AUSTRIA TAKES DECISIVE LEAD

Austria, Fish/owns; home, ser, rum, gre, BUL, CON, WAR 9 = 6 +3!

A RUM + A SER (S) a gre-BUL, f aeg-CON, a gal-WAR, a boh-SIL
England, Pitsch/owns; edin, liv, ~~lon~~, bel, nwy, DEN 5 = 5 even

A BEL(s) A BURG-ruhr (nso), F NTH()S f skag-DEN, f nwg-NWY, f HELGO-kie
France, Harrah/owns; hoem port, LON 5 = 4 +1

F ENG (C) a pic-LON, A BURG-bel, A PAR-burg

Germany, Converse/ owns home, ~~lon~~, swe, hol 5 = 5 even

a mun-TYO, a ruhr-MUN, F HOL(S) FRE a pic-bel(nso), A KIEL(s), &
F SWE(s) A den/D+A/

Italy, Lipson, HDQS, US ARMY, MATERIAL, COMM. AMCSA BC WASHINGTON DC
ZIP 20315/owns; home, tun, SMY 5 = 4 +1

a apu-VEN, f ion-TUN, F EMD(S) A SMY, A SMY(S) AUS f aeg-CON

Russia, Shamray/ owns; ~~lon~~, mos, stp, ~~war~~, ~~bal~~, sev 3 = 3 even

a bul(s) f con/both D+A/, F BOTH-swe, a sev-ARM, a mos-SEV

Turkey, NMR into CD AANK, F BLA owns; ank, ~~lon~~, ~~bal~~ -1 DEADLINE info page?

 1972 N continued.. spain still unowned
 PARIS(PU) The French armed forces today crossed the Rubicon when they
 launched a vicious amphibious assault on London.

ProConsul W.C. Harrah announced the decision to attack England was
 mad@ without perfidious, but mercenary intent. "Da Blokes just did-
 n't have wot it took," he said with a gleam in his eye. "If da
 Blokes settle down and play a little ball," he continued, "mebbe we
 can still work sompin out."

Even as the might of the French Army is felt, there are rumors
 that the Italians and Germans are planning a dreadful mistake. Should
 they attempt to carry out their horrific designs, they will find that
 the people of France are a studious lot and will rise up to do honor-
 able battle with their deceitful neighbors. IT IS RUMORED that
 brick-bats thrown by a Frenchmen will dismay all but the most mercurial
 foe.

 1972 AE

the Spring of 1903

ENGLISH ORDERS ARRIVE LATE BUT FRANCO-PRUSSIAN alliance comes up with
 poor answer. Turkey under heavy assault. Austria & Italy come to
 England's aid?

Austria, Osmanson/7/

A MUN(§)a boh-SIL, a vie-BOH, a bud-AGAL, F GRE-aeg, ASER(S)A BUL
 England, C.Nyderrek phone call after 4PM

F NWY, F EDIN, F ECH, A LON

France Cusack/4/

A PIC(S) a bel-BURG, F NTH-lon, F BRE-ech, A spa farts at the red
 Austrian hordes/D....

Germany, Knudsen/5/

A HOL (S) f helgo-KIEL, F DEN-bal, F SWE H, A RUHR-mun

Italy, Hendry

a rom-TUS, F LYON(S) a mar-SPA, f tyr-WES, A NAF H, F LYON puts
 cork in FRENCH REAR

Russia, D. Johnson/5/

A ARM(S) f BLA-ank, F SEV-bla, a sil-BER, F BOTH-bal

Turkey, Hoffman COA--434-66-1763 HQ MACY (CIVC)DB APO SF CAL 96309
 in transit, substitute used

A CON (S A ANK, A ANK(§)A CON, F AEG(§)A CON

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PARIS: A strong westerly wind brought the reek of the Austrian
 armies over the provinces of Burgundy into Paris killing 17 women and
 children and sending an estimated 108 to hospitals for treatment for
 acute digestion of the pharynx.

MADRID: In accordance with attempts to halt the invaders, the
 whole population ate beans today and promptly pointed their rear ends
 at 1'oclock, eastwards. The aroma ((??)) will probably be too weak
 too overcome the stench pouring over the Alps destroying the fine
 vineyards of burgundy.

BREST: Fffft! LISBON Fffft!

PARIS(later) And still the reek can't be overcome!

CUPCAKEVILLE: Although the aroma did not overcome the stench from
 Austria it did form a large dense cloud and swept into Munich. The
 persons caught in the cloud are now albinos, as is everything else
 in its path.

MUNICH: But I thought you WIPED your ass with White Cloud....

BREST (later) A plea has been made to Turkey to export some VERY
 strong air refresheners. Ankara must have the best, because the
 pre-vailing winds come from the North-west, and the Turkey is still
 alone, isn't he? He must have something damn good....down there.

1972 BB

the Fall of 1902

SPLAT, BANG, CRUNCH! ENGLAND READY FOR FRENCH ASSAULT, HOW WILL GERMANY ENTER THAT CONFLICT? TURKEY EXPANDS WHILE RUSSIA SWOONS.

Austria, Huff/3,1short/owns; ~~xxx~~,bud,tri,ser, RUM 4=4 even

A SER(S) a bud-RUM, f tri-ALB,

England, Hoffman/5/COA SEE 72AE, in transit, substitute used

F NTH-ech, A HOL(S) A BEL, A BEL H, f lon-WALES, F NWY-stpnc

owns; home, nwy, HOL, BEL 6 = 4 +2

France, Hendry owns; ~~xxx~~,~~xxx~~,spa,port,par,bre a bel/r/burg 4=6-2

F MAO(S)f bre-ECH, A SPAH, apar-PIC, A PORT H, A BURG-bel

Germany, Kirchner /3,1 short/ home, swe, VIE, DEN 6=3+3

f den-SWE, A BOH-mun, A VIE H

Italy, Siliby (4) owns home tun, MAR 5 = 4+1

A TYO-mun, a pied-MAR, f tyr-LYON, F WES-spa sc

Russia, Carawan(3,1 short) owns; ~~xxx~~,~~xxx~~,war, mos,stp 3 = 3 even

A WAR, A UKR, F STPSC

Turkey, Whatley /4/ owns; home, bul,GRE, SEV 6 = 4 +2

A BUL(S) f aeg-GRE, f bla-SEV, A rum(~~s~~)f bla-SEV /D....

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1972BS

The spring of 1902

CZAR DOESN'T READ MAGZINE--COULD IT BE A BLESSING IN DISGUISE AS AUSTRIA TRYs FOR RUM AND ENGLAND & GERMANY HINT AT SCANDINAVIAN ADVENTURE?

Austria, Greer--winthrop E41, Cambridge Mass 02138

A BUD(S) A VIE-gal, A GAL-rum, F GRE(S)a ser-BUL

England, Keller /4/ DATE ALL ORDERS

FLON-ech, F NWY S GER A DEN-swe(nso), F NTH(C) a york-BEL

Germany, Osmanson//5

a kiel-RUHR, A BER H, F HOL(S) ENG A york-BEL, A DEN & A MUN H

France, Phillips /4/ NMR 1st miss

A PAR, A PORT, F ECH, A PIC

Italy, Chin/4/

f nap-ION, A VEN, f ion-EMD, A TUN H

Russia, McConville/6/called after 4PM deadline, not a miss

A STP, A WAR, F SWE, A SIL, A UKR, F RUM

Turkey, /3,1 short/ NMR removed--replacement W. Harrah, 129College,

De Kalb, Ill. 60115 f CON, A SMY, a bul/D&A/

DEADLINE INFORMATION on page 7.

1972 CE

the Czar's Demise?, Winter 1901

ONLY THREE NEW FLEETS APPEAR. MASSIVELAND BATTLES LIKELY.

Austria, St.Johns A TRI, A VIE, A BUD/6/ASER, A RU, F GRE

England, Shamray F EDIN/4/F NWY, F NTH, A YORK

France, Pitsch F BRE, A PAR, A MAR/6/A BEL, A PORT?/F SPA NC

Germany, Serena A KIEL/4/FDEN, A RUHR, A MUN

Italy, Gershenson, F NAP/4/A TYO, F ION, A TUN

Russia, Swies A SEV, A STP/5/A UKR, F SWE, A GAL

Turkey, Fujihara A CON/4/F BLA, A ARM, A BUL

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To avoid missed moves file a set of sealed orders with the GM. These outline your allies, enemies and objectives in as much or as little detail as you wish. Patterns for advances, retreats, builds and removals should be included. SO. may be updated at any time to reflect new situations in the game.

1972DZ new game opens
the Winter roster for 1900

AUSTRIA: Bruce Thatcher, PO BX 124 Everett MA 02149
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RUSSIA: Rhea C. Stone III, 2638-27th St., Sacramento Cal. 95818
GERMANY: David Timm, 5892 Rhode, New Orleans , LA 70114
TURKEY: Ms. Marie Cockvell, 6619 N. Glenwood, Chicago Ill. 60626

THE DEADLINE FOR THE SPRING OF 1901 is NOVEMBER 29, 1972

All orders should contain;

1. the Boardman number for the game, namely 1972 DZ
2. The country you are playing
3. The season & year of the move
4. The date on which the orders are submitted
5. Your signature, unsigned orders will NOT be accepted

Post your orders at least three days before the deadline and send two copies to insure arrival. All orders are due at 4PM on the day of the deadline, none later. Special Delivery and Registered letters should be avoided! I do not like to make special trips to the PO to pick up such mail. Good Luck and come out fighting.

NEOPHYTE GAME # 12 now opens. Game fee is \$4.50 \$1.00 off to persons belonging to IDA OR who are already playing in ONE NEOPHYTE GAME. Publishers or persons now enrolled in 5 or more games may NOT play in a second game for NEWCOMERS.

1970 AI
the spring of 1911

Gygax, /12/

A LON, A ROM, F MAO, A MAR, F LYON & F WES ALL HOLD, F NAP (S)
F ION, F TYR (S) F ION, F TUN()S F ION, F ION(S) f adr-ALB, F ECH-nth.

Germany, Pulsipher/16/ a kiel-DEN, a ber-SIL, A MUN-boh, A TYO(S)A VEN,
A BURG H, A VEN(S) A TRI, A TRI UNORDERED, A VIE-gal, A BUD (S)
a rum-SER, A BOH & A GAL UNORDERED, A SEV H, A MOS (S) A SEV,
F SKAG-nth, f hol-BEL

Turkey, Katzime/6/2nd miss, dropped--Stan Wrobel, see LD 36 page 7,71AT
F BLA, A ARM, A GRE, F EMD, f alb/D+A/, A SER/D+A/

CUPCAKEVILLE: Lewie gets sloppy and tries to dislodge his own pieces.
Will he blow IT? LD 32 sent weeks ago along with last two IWs via
3rd class. If you haven't gotten them by now let me know and I'll
send them again. Sigh.

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1970 BP
the Spring of 1908

Austria Cusack /4/ A SER(S) f alb-GRE, A BUD(S)a tri-VIE
France, Lowry/11/ F BRE-ech, F WES + F TYR (S) f naf-TUN, A MUN-ber,
A RUHR-kiel, a rom-VEN, A NAP H, A TYO (S) AUS A tri-VIE, A HOL
(S) A RUHR-kiel, f york-NTH, f
Russia, Schleicher/9/ NMR F SEV, A WAR, A GAL, F RUM, F NWY, F SKAG,
A SWE, f gre/D+A/, a vie/D+A/
Germany, Norman/6/ A KIEL(S)A BER-mun, f edin-YORK, F LON-ech, A DEN
(S) A KEIL, F BAL(S) A KIEL,
RUSSIA MISSES, IS THE CHANCE TO STOP FRANCE ALMOST GONE! ?
DEADLINE INFORMATION ON PAGE 7

1971 EK

the spring of 1904

Austria, Katzive/4,1 short/ NMR, Fujihara--address LD36 page 8,72CE

A TRI, A BUD, F ION, A SER

England, Brackman/4/

F ECH-nth, F STPN(S) f NTH-nwy, a liv-YORK

France, Converse /6/

a pic-BURG, A BEL-ruhr, A MAR-pied, A PIED-tyo, f mao-WES, f gre-MAO

Germany, Blandin/8/

f KIEL-hol, F BER-kiel, F SKAG(S) A NWY, A NWY H, f swe-BOTH,

A HCL-ruhr, A WAR_mos, a boh-SIL

Italy, Hendry/4/

F TUN-ion, F emd W/D..../, A NAP H, A VEN-tyo

Russia, CD A GAL

Turkey, Cleaver/6/

F SMY(S) f aeg-EMD, a rum-GAL, A UKR(S) a sev-MOS, f bla-CON,

WHO IS ON FIRST? PLANS GET STOPPED RIGHT AND LEFT.

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1972CT

the spring of 1901

Austria, Tretick

a vie-GAL, a bud-RUM, f tri-ALB

England, Boyer

f edin-NWG, f lon-NTH, a liv-YORK

France, Cooper

A MAR(S) a par-BURG, f bre-MAO

Germany, Welsh NMR

A MUN, A BER, F KIEL HOLD

Italy, Barents

f nap-ION, a ven-TYO, a rom-VEN

Russia, Schleicher NMR

F SP SC, A WAR, A MOS, F SEV ALL HOLD

Turkey, Leahy

a con-BUL, f ank-BLA, a smy-CON

This game was to have an analysis but with two players missing there would be little point. Schleicher says he will move in fall 1901, no word from Welsh. Will Chric Hilliker 3312 Stoneycrest, Bloomington Ind. 47401 please submit moves for Germany. Welsh has till Nov. 10 to say if he will continue or not!

DEADLINE FOR THE FALL OF 1901 is NOVEMBER 22, 1972--that is a one week extension so as to get Mr. Hilliker in the game.

oops 72CT press;

Buckingham Place: "Good day, gentlemen, we trust you all had a pleasant journey here to visit the Queen for her 72nd birthday. Please allow me to show you the way to her Majesty's throne room for our tea today. This way, gentlemen." Thus, the stately manner of the servant promised that the ensuing meetings of the heads of all important continental powers with her Majesty, Queen Victoria, would be fruitful and productive. This historic meeting was the result of hard work on the part of the English Overseas Diplomats and was to hopefully solve the growing problems of war in Europe. Alas, one could easily see the contempt many of the heads had for the other heads in that solemn crowd marching through the grandeur of Buckingham's famous halls. How will these men of continental Europe react to the charms of the English Queen? And now it was time to begin the audience, the trumpets blared and the emblazoned doors to the throne room slowly opened....

 NEOPHYTE GRAND TOURNAMENT BEGINS!

The tournament officially began on October 21, 1972 with a seperate announcement to the 14 players. The games will be carried separately from LD for reasons of economy.

Due to an error on my part the BOARDMAN numbers for the series were incorrectly stated in the last announcement. All players PLEASE correct your copy at once. Be sure to specify 1972 as the year, I have some 1971 games with the same index letters!

	1972DR	1972DS	1972DT	1972DU	1972DV	1972DW
Austria	O'Rourke	Johnson	Thomas	Hagelshaw	Pettis	Stites
England	Johnson	Pettis	Aker	Sweis	Brooks	Thomas
Turkey	Pettis	Osmanson	Gehrke	Thomas	Stites	Early
Germany	Early	Thomas	Lindauner	Stites	Aker	Hagelshaw
Italy	Lindauner	Sweis	Powell	Aker	Hagelshaw	Gehrke
Russia	Sweis	Powell	O'Rourke	Johnson	Gehrke	Brooks
France	Osmanson	Stites	Pettis	O'Rourke	Sweis	Lindauner

	1972DX	1972DY
Austria	Powell	Early
England	Hagelshaw	O'Rourke
Turkey	Aker	Brooks
Germany	Brooks	Gehrke
Italy	Osmanson	Johnson
Russia	Lindauner	Osmanson
France	Early	Powell

The deadline for the Spring of 1901 in all eight games is 4PM
 November 29, 1972

The Diplomacy Scene
 number 5

1. The INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMACY ASSOCIATION shows democracy in action! Elections are not being called for for offices in the IDA. If you join before November 10, you can still nominate someone, if you join before January 5, 1973 you can vote for the offices in the organization. Dues are \$2.00/year payable to Walt Buchanan, R3, Lebanon Ind. 46052.

In 1973 our Handbook project should be completed, by June 1973, just intime for DIPLOCON VI in Chicago. A publishers guide-book and a guide to NEWCOMERS/NOVICES will also be ready by that time. The IDA will also try to fill the gap left by Rod Walker, i.e. IDA will attempt to keep game records up to date and will begin to work on insuring publishers through an orphan game project.

Now is the time to enter this rapidly expanding organization composed of many of the top publishers in the hobby and many of most renown players. But best of all the IDA has a large number of players and NEWCOMERS interested in the growth of the hobby and actively supporting its growth.

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2. FOR POLOCKS ONLY! Surely you jest! But I do not. Somewhere in these United States a Polish Publisher is getting 7 people together for the Polish Championship game. Already Bowling shoes, and two gross of fancy green shopping bags ahve been bought for prizes. Who is this Polish publisher? Will he have the gall to let the public see such a game for itslef? Stay tuned....
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3. WOULD YOU PAY \$8.00 FOR ECSTASY?! Naturally you would! Then play in a game in CARPETBAGGER BY Stevee Bell, PO BX 1787, Davidson N.C. 28036....and you get \$4 BACK when you complete the game!!!! Openings for novices and experts alike. I'm playing, how 'bout you?

4. We are very sad to have to report that another member of the Diplomacy community has lost someone close to him. The father of Edi Birsan passed away a few weeks ago. Our deepest sympathy goes to Edi in this low point in his year. Please be kind and do not press Edi until such time as his sorrow has had time to abate. Your kind wishes may be sent to him, %Pat Verteramo, RD5 Bx 6 Bridge Street, Hopewell Jct., N.Y. 12533.

5. ANOTHER ANIMAL CREEPS FROM OBSCURITY TO STARDOM! First we had a PLATYPUS, splat and bppp its way into our hears, now from out of the underbrush comes ARMADILLO! This is Steve Cooper's magazine of Postal Diplomacy. Game fees only \$4. His issue number 10 was of top quality, we suggest you get it!

6. Oh, my another new zine! THE SILMARILLI has just crossed my desk. This new publication comes from Chic Hilliker, 3312 Stoneycrest, Bloomington, Ind. 47401--game fee \$4. The first issue was quite impressive. We suggest that if you are seeking another game that you get in on the ground level with this new magazine.

7. The 49 player World Championship of Diplomacy is slowly filling up. This tournament is being run by the TDA using senior GM Chris Schleicher and game referee John Beshara.
First of all we hardly believe this to be a world championship game--after all we did not make such a claim for the 49man tournament at Chicago's DIPLOCON V, and that had a stronger field of players than this postal tournament. Also the sanction for this event, or perhaps endorsement is a better term, has not been given by the IDA. Its council turned down the sanction by 6 to 2. I personally voted against the sanction because the tournament is not a world championship. I have advertised the event in LD 36 and given a prize for the winner of the tournament, but I do not wish to go farther than that.

8. DIPLOCON VI IS TAKING SHAPE! By the next issue of LD I will be able to give you confirmation of the date and location of DIPLOCON VI. The sponsors are planning a 1972 discount to all those who attended the 1972 show, so save up a few extra pennies for a substantial saving on this year's event. FOUR days in beautiful downtown Chicago at one of Chicago's finest hotels. Begin to make some plans now, you won't want to miss this greatest of all Diplomacy conventions!

9. Two questions have arisen in the Diplomacy press of late; they are; how strict should the Diplomacy community be to publishers who are late and/or have defaulted on their obligation to publish? and How strictly should an individual Gamemaster be in enforcing his deadline?

I have taken the position that the community needs a series of sanctions, or at least recommendations, by Diplomacy organizations of current publications. This would act as a guide to which zines to invest in. A system of guarantees for sanctioned zines should also be provided. The comment was raised that perhaps game fees are not high enough to get professional results. Space for your opinion appears on the enclosed ballot!

Next I have taken the position that the DEADLINE is absolute. Late moves will only be accepted under clearly spelled out terms for U.S. mail screw ups. Other publishers believe a more relaxed deadline is fairest. Your opinion is also requested on this issue.

Move Analysis and Tactics

by Leanrd Lakofka

reprint from the the INTERNATIONAL
WARGAMER Vol 3 # 8, 1970

In last month's column we took up the topic of 'secotrs'; and priefly dëmonstrated one analysis. The topic of analysis of moves, and its relation to game tactics, is the next point of dicussion. Tactics involve themselves with good play in the actual move portions of the game, both when hostilities open ad when they are inprogress.

Too many players make the "obvious" moves when better tactical moves are available, and thus they defeat the pupose of the move portion of each year. While the EVENTUAL goal is control of supply centers, the IMMEDIATE goal is securing territory already under your domain and extending your sphere of influence, while maintaining a good defensive posture. It is far better to take two years to gain one supply center than to take two centers in one year, IF the consequences of this more rapid expansion is that three players attack you! Greed is a sin that is rarely forgiven in Diplomacy. You can be assured that the most competant players are just waiting for a good and valid excuse to attack; one that will be condoned by the other players. Poor play and greed are the best two excuses forsuch an attack!

A move can have three goals; to develope, to attack, and to gain position. Each goal is different and the means of attaining each must become part of your moving repertory.

The positional and developmental moves differ in the reaction provoked by each. A positional move has the advantage of not 'rovoking hostilities (in most cases) but gives a firm base to launch a SURPRISE attack or to make a sound defense without invoking undue suspicion by an opponent. A developmental move gives an EVENTUAL advantage in a later attack. I shall explain all three by example.

FALL MOVE, SITUATION

GERMANY: A KIEL, F BALTIC, A BURG plus a sure build in the winter.

Russia; A MOS, A UKR, A FIN build statis is the same. (In this, and all other examples any other pieces and countries will just not be considered.)

If you play A kiel-BER, a bur-MUN, f bal-BOTH, then B A KIEL you have thrown surprise away! Russia can counter build in War or STP and likely stalemate you very easily.

If, however, F Bal H, A Kiel H, A bur-Mun then A ber, you have made no aggressive moves toward Russia. Your build is Nerlin because it was the only center open.

Very likely, Russia will not make the best counter-build or even suspect an all out attack. If he makes a good counter-build you have not already stumbled into a war by moving into his domain. You still have freedom to go in another direction and bide your time. If, however, all goes well, in the spring move: a ber-PRU, a mun-SIL, F BAL (C) a kiel-LIO will suprise the hell out of Russia!

Now let us contract development vs. attack.

SPRING SITUATION:

ITALY, F APU, F ADR, A VEN

AUSTRIA: ATRI A SER

Goal; capture of Tri by the fall move.

Your obvious attack is F ADR(S) a ven-TRI or A TRI(S) f adr-TRI with F APU filling in behind the moving piece.

But A TRI H supported by A SER stops this cold. The THREAT of the attack is the key to Italy's move. Austria can ill afford to second guess Italy and lose. Thus you have two excellent developmental openings. a ven-TYO, F ADR (S) Fapū-VEN or F apu-VEN F ADR (C) a ven-ALB.

ROGUES' GALLERY MAGAZINE POLL

List below the magazines in which you have played, subscribed or at least seen in the last three months. Please do not rate any zine that you have not seen recently! Give each a rating of from 10 High to 1 low in each of the listed categories. Zines need not be placed in any particular order.

publisher	magazine	physical quality	Gamemaster- ering	features	over- all
BARDMAN	GRAUSTARK				
Buchanan	HOOSIER ARCHIVES				
Boyer	IMPASSABLE				
Johnson	DIPLODEUR				
Phillips	SHARRET				
BELL	CARPETBAGGER				
Cooper	ARMADILLO				
BIRSAN	THE ARENA				
BARONTS	BOAST at ALL				
VonMeTake	COSTAGUANA				
Trotick	LA GUERRE				

Correlation data;

Age; _____ Years in postal Diplomacy _____

How many games have you finished?? _____

How many games are you now playing in? _____

signature _____

optional party affiliation _____ George McGovern _____

Richard Nixon _____

LD OPINION POLL

1. How long should a move deadline be? 2, 3, 4 weeks (circle one)
2. How long should an adjustment season be? 2, 3 4 weeks (circle 1)
3. Should the deadline be strictly enforced?
 - a) Should phone calls be accepted after the 4PM deadline?
NEVER, SOMETIMES, UNDER SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES
 - b) Should moves posted before the deadline be acceptable if the magazine is not yet typed up? yes no
 - c) Should moves posted well before the deadline be accepted if the post office delays them through error? yes no
 - d) Does the GM have a right to set an evening or morning timelimit for phoned in moves, not accepting moves made at other times? yes no
4. Should a national Diplomacy organization seek to produce updated recommendations of magazines? yes no
5. Should A national Diplomacy organization seek to sanction and guarantee the games of member publishers? yes no
6. Your opinion, ideas, comments;

Sealed order update;
game _____ Your contry _____ date _____

Allies _____ Enemies _____

Goals _____

REMOVAL PROCEEDURE _____

BUILD PROCEEDURES _____

RETREAT PROCEEDURES _____

PRIORITIES: DEFENSE

OFFENSE

ADDITIONAL NOTES

SIGNATURE _____

Austria is lost if either move succeeds. Thus you have a 'three point mix' to capture Tri. By this I mean 3 ways to take Tri in the fall move, or before. If Austria counters the Tyr move you can repeat or try another 'point'. In a fall move the Austrian has to defend Tri with support, the threat of the loss of a supply center is too great. If he counters the convoy the same is true.

If you get in the habit of neglecting the 'mix' potential in a spring move for constant attacks, your opponent will have no trouble in beating you. e.g.; RUSSIA: FBLA, A SEV, A UKR, A MOS (ANK is Russian)
AUSTRIA: F CON, F SMY, A BUL, A RUM, A SER

Austria has no good attacks because BUL and SMY are not in effective play. Russia has the threat of a 3:1 attack on Rumania which Austria can't let pass by. The key is Ankara. Should Russia defend it? An obvious attack is F Con-Ank and Russia can't discount it. Austria can afford some sloppiness because of one fact. F Bla can not effect inland provinces. Thus: A rum-GAL, A SER(S) a bul-RUM, F con-BLA, F smy-CON. If Russia takes Rumania it can only be with F Bla because F con-Bla cuts support chances for the Black Sea Fleet. F Rum can be dislodged easily and DESTROYED with a gal-RUM supported by BUL, SER & BLACK. F con-BULE. If Russia takes Bulgaria with F Bla he again gets annihilated with F Con-Bulec with F Bla dn A Rum, A GAL and A Ser S A Rum.

If Russia attempts to take Rumania with an army it bounces and you can maintain Rumania by supporting A Ser to Rum with A Gal and A Bul while F con-ANK f smy-CON. The army in Gal, next year, will guarantee degeneration of the area by employing a '4 point mix'

If Russia moves to Ank to counter your potential move, he is already doomed as f bla-Ank supported by F con wins Ank for Austria, plus the threat of F Bla-Sev with A Rum, a gal-ukr is no laughing matter either.

Thus note another important tactic, never fear losing one of your own centers, if a sure recapture and/or annihilation of the piece taking the center usually outweighs its temporary loss! Piece annihilation, in this example is even stronger than the capture of the supply center in Ankara!

Finally, let me discuss a bit more on style and mix. A player's 'style' is the way he handles the 'mix' available to him. A good player who consistently favors one type of 'point' is the 'mix' is easily spotted and countered. A good player will use and vary the 'mix', in accord with the 'style' of the other players and his own sense of good play and originality.

A player may be very conservative, moderate, bold, brash or stupid! A Conservative player will always defend centers already captured from just about every possible aggressive move from a potential enemy. (He is a Bill Buckley type if he defends against his Allies in addition to his enemies.) He becomes a moderate if he gives major attention to defense, but will attack when he sees an opponent that is very likely to defend himself. The bold player favors strong positional developmental and attacking moves and will make only the necessary defensive moves. The brash players makes development moves, but favors strong attacking with only a modicum of defensive moves. A stupid player charges like a bull in a China shop, attacking blindly into the fray.

Analysis of a player's past games are a good and valid guide to his 'style' of play and also tells you if he is reliable or not. Just because you note that a player has made an error in a move in a past game must always be looked at with the concepts of mix and style in mind. A player should never be faulted for a bold move!

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Lenard Lakofka
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Return requested

Please notice that I
have asked you to
substitute in game

1970 AI page 12

DON'T SEND MOVES TO
RICHMOND STREET!!

DATE YOUR ORDERS

YOUR ARE MENTIONED
ON PAGE 14 item 2

See page 11

FIRST CLASS MAIL

Stan Wrobel
7 Poland Vail
Poland Ohio

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WALKER
CAREY

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